Mr. C. A. Ouseph —May I know whether the ultimate idea is to develop our own scheme?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It is.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Does the correspondence so far show that in the idea of entering into negotiations Government has the intention of developing our own scheme?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It does.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May we know how?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Unfortunately I cannot divulge all these conditions, because it is a commercial concern and it is not wise or practical to divulge all these details. It is not fair either to us or to them.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I submit that it is not fair to us that, when we have our own scheme, we should go to a foreign power?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government will consider that and pass them only if they are favourable to us.

Hydro-Electric Scheme.

51. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government has given up the State Hydro-Electric Scheme referred to above?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The State Hydro-Electric Scheme is under consideration of the Government.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Is the Government in a position to state to-day that the Hydro-Electric Scheme of our State will not be given up?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—The State scheme will not be given up.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Is the Government in a position to give us an assurance?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—That is what I stated.

Condition of Moongilmada Road.

52. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) has the attention of the Government been drawn to the deplorable condition of the road from Palghat boundary to the Pollachi boundary *via* Kozhinjampara popularly called Moongilmada road;

(2) is it not a fact that the road was not in such a bad condition at any time before;

(3) were not complaints received from bus owners and others regarding it; if so, what is the action taken;

(4) is it not a main trunk road;

(5) what is the reason for its present miserable condition

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